Village Board Meeting May 10, 2021 Via Zoom

Members present: Mayor Smith, Trustees Gurda, Henderson, Scotto, and Wohl

Also present: Chief Watt, Attorney Donovan, Village Clerk Strobl, and Clerk Darby

Mayor Smith welcomed those present and opened the Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

On a motion by Trustee Henderson, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Agenda was accepted as presented.

Gurda aye Henderson aye Scotto aye Wohl aye

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Henderson, the Minutes of the April 26, 2021 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Gurda aye Henderson aye Scotto aye Wohl aye

Communications

The Board reviewed a request from Goshen High School to hold a Senior Class Car Parade to visit and drive through each school parking lot. The event is planned for June 17, 2021 between 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Chief Watt described plans for the event, noting that it would not involve over-time.

On a motion by Trustee Scotto, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the event was approved as requested.

Gurda aye Henderson aye Scotto aye Wohl aye

Items of Business

On a motion by Trustee Wohl, seconded by Trustee Henderson, Elizabeth Aguilar Delgado is hereby chosen to be the recipient of the Village of Goshen Scholarship for 2021.

This scholarship award, funded from the Orange County Community Development Block Grant Program, is in the amount of \$2000.00.

Gurda aye Henderson aye Scotto aye Wohl aye On the nomination of Mayor Smith, Tom Nixon is hereby appointed to the Village of Goshen Zoning Board of Appeals. This term will expire in 2026.

Gurda aye Henderson aye Scotto aye Wohl aye

The Board discussed two proposed Local Laws to permit 'Bed and Breakfasts' and Short-Term Rentals.

On a motion by Trustee Henderson, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Board voted to refer both proposed laws to the Planning Board for review and report.

Gurda aye Henderson aye Scotto aye Wohl aye

It was noted that the Local Laws can still be modified after the referral to the Planning Board.

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Mayor Smith informed the Board about a recent meeting that he and Trustee Scotto had with Water Engineer Jim Farr, regarding Crystal Run well #3. Mr. Farr will be presenting a plan, within four months, for getting the well on-line without modifying the building.

Mayor Smith also had a meeting with a representative of the Goshen Volunteer Ambulance Corp., about purchasing the building at 15 New Street, which is currently leased, from the Village. The building was appraised in 2014 at \$175,000, and an updated appraisal has been requested.

It was noted that if the building was sold, the parking lot would not be included.

Mayor Smith stated that school officials have asked if the Village is interested in picking up their recycling. Following discussion, the Board declined to make a proposal at this time.

Chief Watt discussed a recent scam after which a subject was arrested and charged with Attempted Grand Larceny 3rd degree, Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument, and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle. The subject was committed to OCJ on no bail.

Trustee Wohl said he was glad to go forward with the B & B and Short Term Rental Local Laws and looks forward to getting comments back from the Planning Board.

Reporting for the DPW, Trustee Gurda noted recent asphalt patching throughout the village, and the start of mowing the parks, firehouses, and village properties.

Trustee Scotto spoke of the good approach the Village is taking with water and sewer, in preparation for future funding.

Trustee Henderson reminded those present that the Goshen Farmers' Market would open for the season on Friday, May 21st, from 9am – 5 pm.

Mayor Smith asked that we all urge people to get vaccinated against the Covid-19 virus.

On a motion by Trustee Henderson, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Gurda aye Scotto aye Henderson aye Wohl aye